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THE OLD GASWORKS

Krakow, Poland

Client
Branch of the Gas Plant in Krakow
KSG sp. z o.o. in Tarnow
Poland

Design Architect
Inż. Karl August Seizig (1856–1857),
Deutsche Continental-Gas-Gesellschaft
Dessau
Germany

Supervising Architect
ARTECHPLUS
Krakow
Poland

Contractor
Zakład blacharsko-dekarski Sylwester Pala
(currently Zakład Dekarski Jarosław Dej)
Baranówka
Poland

Technical Specifications
Roof: 1,600 m^2, 8 t, Angled Standing Seam System
RHEINZINK-prePATINA graphite-grey

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Krakow was the first Polish city to introduce gas lighting – as early as 1830. Just a few decades later, in 1856–1857, the German Continental Gas Company from Dessau built a plant there, which remains located to this day at 16 Gazowa Street in Krakow's Kazimierz district.

Several years ago, this historic complex underwent an interesting revitalization, requiring a combination of aesthetic appeal with durable and technically refined solutions. The project utilized a traditional standing seam system made of RHEINZINK-prePATINA schiefergrau sheet metal – a titanium zinc with a naturally patinated surface, resistant to weather conditions and requiring no maintenance.

This material blends perfectly with the texture of the brick walls, so it was used in both the details and the facade treatments. The result is a cohesive visual appearance and high corrosion resistance in a demanding urban environment.

A key aspect of the project was the selection of standing seam roof layers and the development of details that will ensure the proper functioning of the facility for decades to come. The use of RHEINZINK fully aligns with the concept of sustainable construction – it is a natural, 100% recyclable material, and its aging process adds authenticity and refinement to the project.



